



DATE: November 20, 2013

AGENDA ITEM # 4

TO: Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Commission

FROM: Cedric Novenario, Staff Liaison

SUBJECT: Standard Bicycle Rack Policy

RECOMMENDATION:

Discuss consideration of developing an alternative standard bike rack design

BACKGROUND

Over the last several years, the BPAC has suggested alternative designs to the “U” shaped bicycle rack. The recent development of the Artistic Bike Rack Policy has renewed the conversation on suggesting a different bicycle rack standard.

At the October 23, 2013 BPAC meeting, staff requested that each commissioner submit bicycle rack designs to be considered and discussed as potential alternative design standard to the “U” shaped bicycle rack.

DISCUSSION

Staff anticipates that if a Standard Bicycle Rack Policy is developed, the format and requirements will generally be similar to that of the Artistic Bike Rack Policy.

Consideration of an alternative bike rack other than the current “U” shaped standard shall take into consideration the compact nature of the commercial areas in Los Altos and spacing requirements similarly outlined in the Artistic Bike Rack Policy. Spacing consideration should also be given in relation to existing street furniture (planters, benches, trash receptacles, etc) that populate these commercial areas. Attached are images of various types of bicycle racks for consideration.

Staff requests comments and discussion regarding (list is not exhaustive):

- Bicycle Rack Type (design)
- Bicycle Rack Size
- Installation/space requirements
- BPAC involvement

Staff will consolidate comments and discussion points from this meeting and will discuss with pertinent City staff regarding a proposed change of the “U” standard bicycle rack with an alternative design.

Attachment: Bicycle Rack Types (Photos from American Bicycle Security)



Arc Rack

Square tubed rack in a circular shape. 2 Bike capacity. Available in surface and in ground mount.



Bike Bike Rack

Bicycle shaped bike rack. 2-4 bike capacity.



Bike Hitch Rack

Post style bike rack. 2 bike capacity. Available in surface and in ground mount.



Campus Rack

Parking stall type rack. Capacities vary. Single or double sided.



Cycle Stall Basic

Parking stall type rack. Capacities vary.



Cycle Stall Elite

Parking stall type rack with decorative end pieces. (Square, Fish or Car). 14 bike capacity.



Hi Roller Rack

Angled wave rack. Capacities vary. Available in surface and in ground mount.



Recycle Rack

Tree or Circle shaped bike rack. 2 bike capacity each. Made from 96% recycled content. Available in surface or in ground mount